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Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Examiner's Amendment mailed February 11, 2005. The Issue Fee and Publication Fee are due May 11, 2005. This communication is responsive to the Notice of Allowance and Examiner's Amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: